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BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Honorable Commissioner of
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SMALL ENTITY

Re: Rule 1.53 (d) Continued Prosecution Application
of Mirta Mable Fasci and Luis Orlando
de Jesus Pittau
Entitled "MODULAR CONTAINERS THAT CAN BE INTERCONNECTED,
FOR MULTIPLE USES"
Atty. Ref: 3881.012

Dear Sir:

This is a request for filing a Continued Prosecution Application of pending prior parent Application No. 09/009,327 filed on January 20, 1998, entitled "MODULAR CONTAINERS THAT CAN BE INTERCONNECTED, FOR MULTIPLE USES".

This application is being filed under 37 CFR 1.53 (d).

The prior application is assigned to Examiner Joseph Moy in Group Art Unit 3727.

An Amendment B is filed concurrently herewith.

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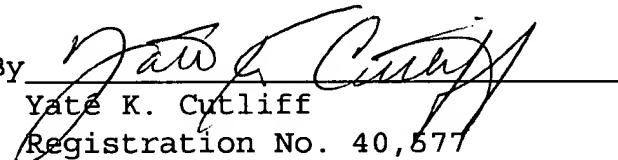
An executed Declaration of Inventorship was filed in the parent application. No new matter is being introduced by the Preliminary Amendment.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>32</u>	- 20 =	<u>12</u>	x 9 =	\$108.00
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Base fee					<u>\$380.00</u>
TOTAL FILING FEE					\$488.00

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Respectfully submitted,

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